

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: TELEVISION DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND PROCESSING UNIT USED IN SAID
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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REMARKS

Applicant offers the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance set forth on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated April 20, 2010. The Reasons for Allowance merely loosely paraphrase independent claims 1, 15, and 16, and therefore do not accurately restate the claimed invention.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are allowable because of the features recited therein, and not for other reasons. Accordingly, Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's characterization of claims 1, 15, and 16.

Patent Office personnel are requested to note that the present submission does not adversely affect the patent term adjustment accrued by the Applicant to date. As emphasized in the "Clarification of 37 C.F.R. §1.704(c)(10) – Reduction of Patent Term Adjustment for Certain

Types of Papers Filed After a Notice of Allowance Has Been Mailed,” 1247OG111 (6/26/01), “a response to the examiner’s reasons for allowance” is an example of a paper that does “not cause substantial interference and delay in the patent issue process” and is “not considered a ‘failure to engage in reasonable efforts’ to conclude processing or examination of the application.”

Therefore, the Applicant remains entitled to the full patent term adjustment set forth on page 3 of the Notice of Allowance dated April 20, 2010.

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